

WestCOG Technical Advisory Group (TAG)

Tuesday, June 9th, 2026 at 11:00 am

**Zoom Link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89531093509>

**Meeting ID:** 895 3109 3509

Agenda

1) **MEETING CALL TO ORDER**

- a. WestCOG Transportation Director Kristin Hadjstylianos

2) **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** *limited to topics on this agenda and to 2 minutes per speaker.*

3) **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

- a. Summer Intern Introductions (Princeton, Stormwater and Culvert/Bridge mapping)
- b. Housing Update.....Attachment 4a, p. 1
- c. Bridge and Culvert Mapping Program Underway
- d. ADA Transition Plan Assistance Project Update
- e. HMP Update

4) **ACTION ITEMS**

- a. Approval of the May 2026 meeting minutes.....Attachment 5a, pp. 2-4
- b. FY25-FY28 Transportation Improvement Program.....Attachment 5b, pp. 5-7
  - i. SWRMPO - #170S-SNON; Statewide
  - ii. HVMPO - #170S-SNON; Statewide, 0174-0492; Danbury

5) **OTHER BUSINESS**

6) **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

- a. MPO/COG Thursday, June 18, 2026 @ 12:00 p.m.
- b. TAG Meeting **Wednesday, July 8, 2026**

7) **ADJOURNMENT**

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TO: WestCOG Council Representatives  
FROM: Farnaz Kamyab, WestCOG Housing Planner  
DATE: May 15, 2026  
RE: Housing Update for May COG Meeting

## Background

Public Act 25-1, *An Act Concerning Housing Growth*, was designed to align development practices with regional and statewide housing needs, promoting more equitable and sustainable growth. WestCOG will assist municipalities in meeting these requirements. PA 25-1 requires:

- **Zoning changes** which are required to be in place by July 1, 2026.
- **Municipal Housing Growth Plan (MHGP)**, to be completed by June 2028, unless the municipality opts into a Regional Housing Growth Plan (RHGP), effective June 2029.

## Next Steps

The July 1 Deadline for zoning changes is fast approaching. WestCOG staff encourage municipalities to leverage pre-selected planning consultants for the development of these zoning provisions and to coordinate with WestCOG's housing planner to address any questions on the process.

Regarding Housing Growth Plans, WestCOG is preparing an RHGP in direct coordination with member municipalities. Updates on the status of the development of the RHGP will be offered in regular COG briefings, WestCOG's monthly newsletter, and WestCOG's Housing Growth Plan project page.

Municipalities can direct questions to WestCOG's Housing Planner, Farnaz Kamyab at [fkamyab@westcog.org](mailto:fkamyab@westcog.org) or 475-323-2058.

WestCOG Housing Program Page: <https://westcog.org/housing/>

Preselected Planning Firms: <https://westcog.org/planning-consulting-services/>

PA 25-1 CT COG Summary:

<https://westcog.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/05/PA-25-1-CT-COG-Summary.pdf>

Housing Growth Plan Flow Chart (DRAFT):

<https://westcog.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/05/Housing-Growth-Plan-Flowchart-DRAFT.pdf>

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## INTERIM MINUTES OF 05/12/2026

### Technical Advisory Group Meeting (TAG)

1 Riverside Rd, Sandy Hook, CT 06482 475-323-2070 via Zoom:

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• Bethel	Absent
• Bridgewater	Absent
• Brookfield	Community Development Specialist Greg Dembrowski
• Danbury	Project Engineer Tom Altermatt,
• Darien	Director of Planning and Zoning Jeremy Ginsberg
• Greenwich	Chief Engineer Gabriella Circosta-Cohee
• New Canaan	Public Works Director Tiger Mann
• New Fairfield	Absent
• New Milford	Town Engineer Chuck Ballard
• Newtown	Absent
• Norwalk	Absent
• Redding	Absent
• Ridgefield	Director of Public Works & Facilities Jacob Muller
• Sherman	Absent
• Stamford	Director of Transportation Thomas Turk
• Weston	Absent
• Westport	Town Engineer Keith Wilberg
• Wilton	Absent
• Transit Representative SWR	Absent
• Transit Representative HV	Absent

**Others Attending:** New Canaan Town Engineer Maria Coplit, Stamford Senior Transportation Planner Luke Bottenwieser, FHWA Transportation Specialist Jennifer Brady, and Shawna Kitzman from Toole Design.

**WestCOG Staff Members:** Kristin Hadjstylianos, Kevin Mahoney, Kristin Floberg, Todd Fontanella, Amal Malik, and Cricket Carpenter.

**MEETING CALL TO ORDER:** WestCOG Transportation Director Kristin Hadjstylianos called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

### INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

#### **FY 2027 Matching Grant Program (MGP) Reminder**

WestCOG Principal Planner Todd Fontanella provided an update.

#### **CTDEEP Volkswagen NOx Mitigation Program 4<sup>th</sup>**

WestCOG's Todd Fontanella provided an update.

#### **2027-2055 MTP Project Solicitation**

WestCOG Senior Planner Kristin Floberg provided an update.

### ACTION ITEMS

#### **Approval of the April 2026 meeting minutes**

After review and on a motion made by Darien Director of Planning and Zoning Jeremy Ginsberg and seconded by Westport Town Engineer Keith Wilberg the minutes of the April 2026 meeting were unanimously approved.

#### **Draft 2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program**

WestCOG Associate Planner Amal Malik provided an update. After review and on a motion made by Darien Director of Planning and Zoning Jeremy Ginsberg and seconded by Ridgefield Director of Public Works & Facilities Jacob Muller the TAG recommendation for HVMPO and SWRMPO to endorse their respective 2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Programs and the CTDOT Air Quality Conformity Determinations was unanimously approved.

#### **FY25-FY28 Transportation Improvement Program**

##### **SWRMPO - #0170-FAREBX; Various, #0400-2026EQ; Various**

WestCOG's Amal Malik provided an update. After review and on a motion made by Darien Director of Planning and Zoning Jeremy Ginsberg and seconded by New Canaan Town Engineer Maria Coplit the FY25-FY28 Transportation Improvement Program amendments were unanimously approved.

#### **FY 2025 Section 5310 Application Prioritization**

WestCOG's Todd Fontanella provided an update. After review and on a motion made by Brookfield Community Development Specialist Greg Dembrowski and seconded by Ridgefield Director of Public

Works & Facilities Jacob Muller the FY 2025 Section 5310 Application Prioritization was unanimously approved.

#### **LOTICIP Adjustments**

WestCOG Senior Project Manager Kevin Mahoney provided an overview. After review and on a motion made by Brookfield Community Development Specialist Greg Dembrowski and seconded by Westport Town Engineer Keith Wilberg the LOTICIP Adjustments were unanimously approved.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Brookfield Community Development Specialist Greg Dembrowski noted that the Bond Commission meeting date of May 29<sup>th</sup> has been announced.

#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

MPO/COG Thursday, May 21, 2026 @ 12:00 p.m.

TAG Meeting Tuesday, June 9, 2026

**ADJOURNMENT:** On a motion duly made, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 11:32 a.m.

**INTERIM MINUTES SUBJECT TO FINAL APPROVAL BY THE TAG MEMBERS**



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## COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

TO: MPO Members  
DATE: June 1, 2026  
SUBJECT: Amendments to the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program

### SWRMPO FFY 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

**Background:** The FFY2025-2028 South Western Region MPO TIP was endorsed by the MPO on April 18, 2024. The TIP was incorporated into the larger Statewide TIP, which was approved by USDOT and EPA on August 5, 2024.

The following projects have proposed amendments:

1. 170S-SNON – CE Sign Support Inspection – Non-NHS Roads

Details of these amendments can be viewed on the following pages.

**Action Requested:** MPO endorsement after review and support by TAG.

### HVMPO FFY 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

**Background:** The FFY2025-2028 Housatonic Valley Region MPO TIP was endorsed by the MPO on April 18, 2024. The TIP was incorporated into the larger Statewide TIP, which was approved by USDOT and EPA on August 5, 2024.

The following projects have proposed amendments:

2. 170S-SNON – CE Sign Support Inspection – Non-NHS Roads
3. 0174-0492 – Replace Traffic Control Signals at Various Locations

Details of these amendments can be viewed on the following pages.

**Action Requested:** MPO endorsement after review and support by TAG.

# 170S-SNON - CE SIGN SUPPORT INSPECTION - NON-NHS ROADS

CE SIGN SUPPORT INSPECTION - NON-NHS ROADS

<b>Lead Agency:</b>	CTDOT
<b>Project Type:</b>	FHWA
<b>Region:</b>	70
<b>Town:</b>	STATEWIDE
<b>Air Quality Status:</b>	-
<b>Total Cost:</b>	\$2,500,000

Phase	Fund Source	Prior	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	Future	Total
Other Activities	State Match	\$0	\$0	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$200,000	\$500,000
Other Activities	STPA	\$0	\$0	\$400,000	\$400,000	\$400,000	\$800,000	\$2,000,000
Total Other Activities		\$0	\$0	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$1,000,000	\$2,500,000
-	STPA	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Future Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
Total Programmed		\$0	\$0	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$1,000,000	\$2,500,000

<b>Current Change Reason:</b>	New Project
<b>Air Quality Changes:</b>	Air Quality has changed from None to X6

## Change Reason Details

Change Reason \*

New Project
  Project Changed (e.g. Schedule / Funding / Scope)
  Project Completed
  Project Removed

Narrative Description of Changes \*

KZ - Reduce all entries to \$0. This placeholder project is being replaced with real project number 0170-3803.

# 0174-0492 - REPLACE TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNALS AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS

REPLACE TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNALS AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS

<b>Lead Agency:</b>	CTDOT
<b>Project Type:</b>	FHWA
<b>Region:</b>	74
<b>Town:</b>	DISTRICT 4
<b>Air Quality Status:</b>	-
<b>Total Cost:</b>	\$1,989,000

Phase	Fund Source	Prior	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	Future	Total
Preliminary Design	STPA	\$0	\$0	\$1,416,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,416,000
Total Preliminary Design		\$0	\$0	\$1,416,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,416,000
Final Design	STPA	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$453,000	\$0	\$0	\$453,000
Total Final Design		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$453,000	\$0	\$0	\$453,000
Right of Way	STPA	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$120,000	\$0	\$0	\$120,000
Total Right of Way		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$120,000	\$0	\$0	\$120,000
Total Programmed		\$0	\$0	\$1,416,000	\$573,000	\$0	\$0	\$1,989,000

<b>Current Change Reason:</b>	New Project
<b>Air Quality Changes:</b>	Air Quality has changed from None to X7